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Effective October 1, 2000

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CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I

(Column 1) (Column 2)

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA
BASIC FEE		
TOTAL CLAIMS	41	minus 20 = * 21
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	15	minus 3 = * 12
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT		

* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2

CLAIMS AS AMENDED - PART II

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT A	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total	* 52	Minus	** 41 = 11
	Independent	* 12	Minus	*** 15 = -
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

SMALL ENTITY
TYPE OR OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEES	RATE	FEES
	\$355	OR	\$710
X\$ 9 =	189.00	OR	X\$18 =
X40 =	480.00	OR	X80 =
+135 =		OR	+270 =
TOTAL		OR	TOTAL

OTHER THAN
SMALL ENTITY OR SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9 =		OR	X\$18 = 550
X40 =		OR	X80 =
+135 =		OR	+270 =
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE 550

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT B	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total	* 52	Minus	** =
	Independent	* 12	Minus	*** =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9 =		OR	X\$18 =
X40 =		OR	X80 =
+135 =		OR	+270 =
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE

(Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)

AMENDMENT C	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
	Total	* 52	Minus	** =
	Independent	* 12	Minus	*** =
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				

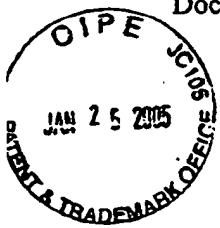
RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE	RATE	ADDI- TIONAL FEE
X\$ 9 =		OR	X\$18 =
X40 =		OR	X80 =
+135 =		OR	+270 =
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE		OR	TOTAL ADDIT. FEE

* If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3.

** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20."

*** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3."

The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In re Application of

Mark Gray

Serial No.: 09/835,059

Filed: April 13, 2001

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
DETERMINING
INTERCONNECTIONS OF
NETWORK DEVICES

Confirmation No.: 5951

Group Art Unit: 2154

Examiner: Rafai, Ramsey

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
 Mail Stop AMENDMENT
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 22, 2004, the shortened statutory period for which runs until January 22, 2005.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

There are no Specification Amendments. There are no Drawings Amendments.

Claim Amendments and Remarks are presented on separate sheets as indicated below:

- Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2.
- Remarks begin at page 15.

The Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application in light of the remarks after entry of the amendments.

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limitations is not included at this time. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that Claims 2-5, 7-11, 13-15, 21-26, 32-37, 42-46, 47-49, 50-54, and 55-57 are allowable for the reasons given above with respect to Claims 1, 6, 12, 20, 31, 27, 28, 38, and 39.

CONCLUSION

Claims 17-19, 30, and 41 have been withdrawn from examination as the result of an earlier restriction requirement and thus have been cancelled herein, but the Applicant retains the right to present Claims 17-19, 30, and 41 in a divisional application.

The Applicant believes that all issues raised in the Office Action have been addressed and that allowance of the pending claims is appropriate. After entry of the amendments, further examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

For the reasons set forth above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, the issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance is believed next in order, and that action is most earnestly solicited.

To the extent necessary to make this reply timely filed, the Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136.

If any applicable fee is missing or insufficient, throughout the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to any applicable fees and to credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 50-1302.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: January 21, 2005



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